



Bradley Palmer State Park

Department of Conservation and Recreation

AUGUST 2021 PROGRAMS

All Programs are **FREE** and open to the public. An adult must accompany children. Reasonable accommodations available upon request. Parking fees apply at 40 Asbury Street from 8:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m. For outdoor events wear closed toe shoes, consider insect repellent, and sunscreen. Bring water. Inclement weather cancels outdoor events. For more information email bradley.palmer@mass.gov, or call (978) 887-5931, ext. 4.

Sundays

FROM COUNTRY ESTATE TO STATE PARK:

**BRADLEY PALMER'S GIFT, 10:30 a. m.-12:00 p. m.,
Main Parking Lot, 40 Asbury St., Topsfield**

Hear how wealthy attorney Bradley Webster Palmer donated his 721 acre estate, now Bradley Palmer State Park, to the Commonwealth. Experience his extravagant early 1900s world as you take a 3/4 mile outdoor tour of the stable, a once celebrated formal garden, and other surviving buildings. Best for ages 8 years & up.

Mondays,

**WILLOWDALE MANSION TOUR, 10:00 -11:00 a. m.,
Willowdale Estate Parking Lot, 24 Asbury St., Topsfield**

Go inside the Willowdale Mansion (willowdaleestate.com) for a unique guided tour. Now an event and wedding venue, this over 100 years-old Arts and Crafts style home has been beautifully restored. The second floor is not accessible to persons with limited mobility. Best for ages 8 years & up.

Fridays

**STATION: EXPLORE THE POND, 9:00-11:00 a.m.,
Drop-in, Ponds at Main Parking Lot**

What kinds of fascinating creatures live in or visit the ponds? Come and visit with the Park Interpreter to see if any creatures are stirring, and if any plants are flowering. For ages pre-K.

Fridays

**STATION: THE EQUESTRIANS, 1:00-3:00 p.m.
Drop-in, Main Parking Lot**

Bradley Palmer was an avid equestrian. He laid out bridal paths and a 3.5 mile steeplechase race course on his estate. Come see photographs and maps of these historic activities. Best for ages 8 years & up.

Saturdays

**BP (BEFORE PALMER): THE LAMSON FARM, 1680-
PRESENT, 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Main Parking Lot**

Before Mr. Palmer bought the land that became this Park, it was the Lamson Family farm for over 200 years. Take a stroll to see the remaining farmhouse exterior and other features of the farm. Best for ages 8 years & up.

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coming events